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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 WILLIAM ARTHUR BRACKEN,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 WILLIAM L. MUNIZ,

15 Defendant.
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No. 2:17-cv-2341-EFB P

ORDER

17 Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding without counsel in an action brought under 42
18 U.S.C. § 1983.¹ He asserts claims arising out of events that occurred at Salinas Valley State
19 Prison in Soledad, California.


20 The federal venue statute provides that a civil action “may be brought in (1) a judicial
21 district in which any defendant resides, if all defendants are residents of the State in which the
22 district is located, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions
23 giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of property that is the subject of the action
24 is situated, or (3) if there is no district in which an action may otherwise be brought as provided in
25 this action, any judicial district in which any defendant is subject to the court’s personal
26 jurisdiction with respect to such action.” 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).
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28 ¹ He has filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915.

1 In this case, the defendants are located in and the claims arose in Monterey County.
2 Because Monterey County lies within the venue of the Northern District of California, venue
3 properly lies in that district. For the convenience of the parties and witnesses and in the interests
4 of justice, this case will be transferred to the Northern District of California. *See* 28 U.S.C.
5 § 1391(b); 28 U.S.C. § 84(a).

6 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is transferred to the Northern
7 District of California. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

8 Dated: November 13, 2017.

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10 EDMUND F. BRENNAN
11 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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